



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 06502.0576

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Harriett G. COVERSTON et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2171  
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Application No.: 09/894,478 ) Examiner: GODDARD, Brian D.  
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Filed: June 28, 2001 )  
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For: METHOD, SYSTEM, AND ) Confirmation No.: 5934  
PROGRAM FOR MANAGING )  
FILES IN A FILE SYSTEM )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

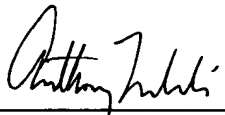
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to reply to the Final Office Action mailed April 21, 2004, extending the period for reply through October 21, 2004. A fee of \$980.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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